ARIZONA PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS' ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 26, 2016

The meeting of the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council was called to order by APAAC Chair Sheila Polk on Thursday, May 26, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. at the APAAC office located at 1951 W. Camelback Road, Suite 202, in Phoenix, Arizona.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Sheila Polk APAAC Chair, Yavapai County Attorney

Brad Beauchamp Gila County Attorney

Ryan Glover Glendale City Prosecutor (Telephonic)
Vicki Hill Phoenix City Prosecutor (at 1:55 p.m.)
Brian McIntyre Cochise County Attorney (at 1:15 p.m.)

Bill Montgomery Maricopa County Attorney

Derek Rapier Greenlee County Attorney (at 1:15 p.m.)

Tony Rogers La Paz County Attorney

David Rozema Coconino County Attorney (Telephonic)

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT BY PROXY

Jon Smith APAAC Vice Chair, Yuma County Attorney

Proxy Derek Rapier

John Belatti Mesa City Prosecutor

Proxy Sheila Polk

Mark Brnovich Arizona Attorney General

Proxy Paul Ahler

David Byers Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Director

Proxy Jerry Landau

Barbara LaWall Pima County Attorney

Proxy Kathleen Mayer

Alan Merritt Tucson City Prosecutor

Proxy Roi Lusk

Tobin Sidles Oro Valley Town Prosecutor

Proxy Sheila Polk

George Silva Santa Cruz County Attorney

Proxy Liliana Ortega

Lando Voyles Pinal County Attorney

Proxy Janina Walters

Michael Whiting Apache County Attorney

Proxy Sheila Polk

STAFF PRESENT

Elizabeth Ortiz Executive Director
Diana Cooney Office Manager

GUESTS PRESENT

Jennifer Hancock Extern, Arizona Office of the Courts

Nate Quinn AudioVisual Technician, Maricopa County Attorney's Office

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CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Sheila Polk presented the consent agenda, including minutes from the April 22, 2016, Council meeting, for approval. Mr. Bill Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brad Beauchamp, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Polk reported that she and Mr. Montgomery attended the National Heroin Conference in Atlanta, GA, in April 2016, featuring presentations on prescription drugs and heroin issues, along with breakout sessions on national hot topics. More information is available upon request from either attendee.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Elizabeth Ortiz reported her attendance, along with Mr. Brad Carlyon, at the 2016 Government Social Media Conference & Expo in Reno, NV, in April 2016. The conference showcased presentations on social media policies for government, uses of social media to educate our constituency, and engaging our prosecutor community through social media.

Ms. Ortiz announced that APAAC has an open staff position. With direction from Council leadership, Ms. Ortiz will be redefining the position's job description to attract both attorney and non-attorney candidates with lobbying experience and a social media / public relations background; skills in grant-writing would be a plus. APAAC plans to start the search in July 2016, with a goal to fill the position by October 2016.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Ortiz presented APAAC's Financial Reports for March 2016, as recommended for approval by the Finance Committee. Ms. Kathleen Mayer made a motion, seconded by Ms. Liliana Ortega, to approve the APAAC Financial Reports for March 2016. Motion carried.

Ms. Ortiz reported that APAAC is working on a very conservative draft budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 for review by the Finance Committee at its June 6, 2016, meeting.

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

No report.

BEST PRACTICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Ortiz referred Council to the seminar report attachment showing APAAC-sponsored trainings in March, April, and May, 2016. APAAC held two conferences during that

period: 2016 APAAC Annual Victim Advocate Conference on March 4, 2016, with 60 attendees, and the Annual Legal Assistant Conference on April 29, 2016, with 98 attendees. There were 492 attendees at the three Criminal Year in Review trainings cohosted by APAAC and CLE-West in April and May 2016.

Ms. Ortiz reported that Maricopa County Attorney's Office (MCAO) and APAAC partnered with NDAA to host "ChildPROOF", NDAA's weeklong child abuse advocacy course, on April 18-22, 2016. APAAC is currently assisting NDAA with its national training course on Homicide Prosecution from May 23-27, 2016. In exchange for APAAC's assistance with the training and a no-cost venue courtesy of MCAO, NDAA has provided fifteen tuition-only scholarships that APAAC made available through an application process.

Ms. Ortiz also stated that APAAC is preparing to announce registration for the upcoming annual Support Staff Conference on July 8, 2016.

SELECTION OF 2016 APAAC ANNUAL PROSECUTOR CONFERENCE ATTORNEY AWARDS

Ms. Ortiz announced the 2016 APAAC Annual Prosecutor Conference Attorney Award nominees.

A roll call vote of the Council members was taken to determine the winner from each of the eight categories. Each nominator was video recorded as they advocated for their respective nominee; and that edited recording will be replayed before the winners are announced during the awards luncheon at the APAAC Annual Prosecutor Conference June 15-17, 2016, in Tucson.

Mr. Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brad Beauchamp, for APAAC to present the 2016 Rising Star Award to the two nominees who tied for the highest number of votes received. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

NACo/AACo REPORT

No report.

NDAA REPORT

Mr. Derek Rapier announced that the NDAA Summer Conference will be held July, 2016, in Boston, MA.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, in conjunction with the 2016 APAAC Annual Prosecutor Conference at the Starr Pass Resort and Conference Center in Tucson on June 15-17, 2016.

Ms. Ortiz reminded Council members that immediately preceding the June 14, 2016, Council meeting, APAAC will hold an Executive Training starting at 12:00 noon. Lunch will be provided.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Ms. Polk declared the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.